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## PRESIDENT ASKS FOR ECONOMY IN MESSAGE

### Budget Plan Urged, Galleries Packed As Clerk Reads Document.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Both houses of Congress were in brief session today to hear President Wilson's annual message. It was read by the clerk, Mr. Wilson having heeded the advice of his physician not to appear in person to present his recommendations.

Galleries in both Senate and House were crowded. Both those drawn by the chance that the President might appear in person or by the possibility that his message might touch upon the League of Nations question or his own approaching retirement to private life were disappointed.

Mr. Wilson confined himself almost wholly to domestic questions. Only by inference did his message refer to the nearing close of his administration, and that was in the concluding paragraph. The proposals he presented, the President wrote, were not so much a series of recommendations as a confession "of the faith in which I was bred and which it is my solemn purpose to stand by until my last fighting day."

**Urges Budget System.**  
The industrial situation also found a place in the President's message. Recovery from war effects gave promise of early completion "only in our own country," Mr. Wilson said, and even here "halts and is impeded at times." A telegram of "immediately serviceable acts of legislation" to aid that recovery "and prove the indestructible recuperative force of a great government of the people" should be undertaken, Mr. Wilson said, adding:

"One of these is to prove that a great democracy can keep house as successfully and in as business-like fashion as any other government." First among the recommended steps, Mr. Wilson placed enactment of a "workable budget system." He said he had vetoed the budget bill passed at the last session "reluctantly and because of a constitutional objection" but as it was later revised in the House, he believed it would, with other measures, furnish "foundations for a national budget system."

Mr. Wilson cited figures as to the national debt and urged rigid economy in which all branches of the government should co-operate.

"I can not overemphasize," he said, "the necessity of economy in government appropriations and expenditures and the avoidance by Congress of practices which take money from the Treasury by indefinite or revolving fund appropriations."

**Favors Armenian Loan**  
This year's estimates "strikingly" illustrated the importance of specific appropriations, the President added, the transportation act having "disturbed" the relationship between current receipts and expenditures to the extent of over a billion dollars.

"It is obvious," the message continued, "that these large payments have already seriously limited the government's progress in retiring the floating debt."

The President renewed some of the recommendations he made at the opening of the last session and added:

"I do not feel it my privilege at present to suggest the detailed and particular methods by which these objects may be attained, but I have faith that the inquiries of your several committees will discover the way and the method."

The only recommendations for other than domestic matters was that for a loan to Armenia to be administered thru American commissioners to avoid "further tempting opportunities" to revolutionary tendencies in that country, and for granting independence to the Philippines, "to keep our promise to the people of those islands."

### EVERETT SHAVER MEETS TRAGIC END

Everett Shaver, aged 20 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shaver, residing near Bennett's School house, about 2 and one-half miles from Hartford, met with a tragic end last Fri-

day while at work with the Van Ette Bros. Construction Company, at 124th St. and Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill., when he was caught between the coupling of a large crane of which he was assistant operator, and a locomotive car. The car was unattached to any other car and was moving at a very slow rate, about half as fast as one would ordinarily walk, so Mr. Wilson Jones, an eye witness to the accident, states, but being on a slight grade, the extreme pressure literally crushed the unfortunate young man from the waist line to below his hips. The accident occurred at 2:30 in the afternoon, death occurring four hours later.

The remains were brought to the home of young Shaver's parents, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. T. Frazier, of Hartford and burial of the remains took place in the afternoon of Monday, at Oakwood.

Mr. Shaver was well known here, and was popular with all of the younger people with whom he associated. His parents have the sympathy of a large throng of friends in this extreme sorrow so suddenly cast upon them.

### OHIO COUNTY CLUB ORGANIZED AT K. S. U.

By F. P. Bell.  
The Ohio County students at the University of Kentucky met last Thursday in White Hall, for the purpose of organizing an Ohio County Club.

After due deliberation and much oratory, Otis Howard, Hartford, was elected president; H. B. Lloyd, Fordville, vice-president; Martha Pate, Hartford, secretary and treasurer; F. P. Bell, Buford, corresponding secretary.

After the election of officers the delegation resolved itself into a committee of the whole to discuss the educational and economic needs of Ohio county, to formulate plans for a greater co-operation between the high schools of the county and the University of the State; and to promote a more friendly association among the Ohio county students at the University. Mr. Glenn Tinsley reported that a movement was already on foot for an elaborate program to be given in Hartford during the holidays.

Ohio county has eighteen students at the University of Kentucky this year which is a gratifying increase over last year's enrollment. This increase comes from Hartford high school with the exception of two, one from Beaver Dam high school and one from McHenry high school.

In order that the students of the high schools of the county may have an opportunity to know about the University of Kentucky and the exceptional advantages that it offers to those desiring a higher education, the club is planning to send a representative to each high school in the county during the Christmas holidays. The club trusts the teachers and faculty will co-operate with them by giving the representatives all of the publicity possible.

The students at the university hope to make this an enduring organization to which future students from Ohio county can look forward with pleasure.

### BUSINESS CHANGES

Loney Minton has purchased the building of Heavrin & Barrass, occupied by Joe Tate as a restaurant. Mr. Minton will take charge of the property the first of the year and is to continue the restaurant business there. Mr. Tate has purchased the restaurant business conducted by J. Ross Taylor on the corner, in the old Hartford House, while Mr. Taylor has purchased the one-half interest of Edward Duke in the business of Williams & Duke. Tate assumed charge of the Taylor restaurant Monday and on the same date Taylor assumed his place in the new firm of Williams & Taylor.

### SUGAR PRICE DROPS TO 5.51 CENTS IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 7.—After ruling quite steady for the last two weeks, raw sugar again broke into new low ground for the season today when Porto Rico and full duty sugar sold to a New York refiner at 5.51 cents a pound, delivered or a decline of one-fourth cent from the previous sale.

## HARDING SEEKING VIEWS OF LEADERS

### Confers With Many As To Foreign Policy And Cabinet.

Washington, Dec. 7.—President-elect Harding concluded today his two-day visit to Washington with another succession of conferences, in which he talked with his party associates about the League of Nations, the selection of a cabinet and other problems confronting him in the building of his administration.

The President-elect did not call on President Wilson, but en route to the station to board his special train for Marion, O., he stopped at the White House to leave his card and that of Mrs. Harding. The automobile bearing the senator and his party drove up to the north entrance to the executive mansion, where it was met by I. H. Hoover, chief usher at the White House. Mr. Harding presented the cards, saying that he desired to leave them "for the President" and then continued on to the station.

All of those with whom the President-elect conferred today preserved silence regarding the details of the discussions, and Mr. Harding himself said the conversations were strictly of a confidential nature. He repeated his statement of yesterday that he was seeking by direct personal consultation to frame an administrative policy behind which everyone could unite.

### Cabinet Is Discussed.

In his search for information and advice about the league, the President-elect summoned Republican senators of the irreconcilable and of the mild reservation groups alike, and it is understood he told them he wanted suggestions from every quarter. Without submitting any concrete plan of his own, he is said to have asked plainly what sort of international agreement each of his conferees would support.

The discussion of cabinet selections had a wider scope, several of his most trusted friends undertaking to canvass the situation in separate conferences at various places thruout the capitol. Harry M. Daugherty, of Ohio, who was his pre-convention manager, was one of the most active in this task, seeing various members of the Senate and House in Mr. Harding's office while the President-elect was occupied with his own string of callers at the residence of Edward B. McLean, his host.

Former Senator John W. Weeks, of Massachusetts, who, like Mr. Daugherty, has been prominently mentioned as a likely candidate for cabinet honors, also saw several prominent Republican leaders after he had talked to Mr. Harding. A third who performed a similar mission was Senator Fall, of New Mexico, whose activities brought his name into fresh prominence as a possible secretary in the official family of the next President.

### Many Callers Disappointed.

Among those who called on Mrs. Harding during the day were Senators Spencer, of Missouri, and Kellogg, of Minnesota, both of whom were included in the group of mild reservationists; Senator Johnson, of California, a leader of the irreconcilables, Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, the Republican Senate leader, and Senators Smoot, of Utah; Calder, of New York; Norris, of Nebraska, and Phipps, of Colorado.

Discussion of patronage, however, was understood to have been forbidden at the various conferences, several of the senators who saw the President-elect quoting him as saying that it was "too early" to consider appointments of ambassadors or of other officials.

The President-elect remained at the McLean residence all day, disappointed a swarm of callers who congregated at his office in the Senate Office Building. Leaving here on a special train at 4:10 p. m., Mr. and Mrs. Harding will reach their home in Marion tomorrow morning after an absence of nearly a month, most of which has been devoted to their vacation trip to Texas and Panama. They do not expect to return here until inauguration day.

## TOBACCO MARKET WORST IN YEARS

### Averages Low; Rejections Heavy; Keep Weed In Barn, Advice

A half-dozen Loose Leaf Tobacco Houses opened for business in Owensboro, Monday, with large stocks on hand, for sale. The bidding was so slow and prices so extremely low that a large per cent of the offerings were rejected and the weed returned to barns. The prices have continued to sag from day to day. The average as reported through the Owensboro press, for Monday, the opening day, was: sales, 270,135 pounds \$7.23; Tuesday, 163,575 pounds \$5.01; Wednesday 27,475 pounds, \$5.57.

Had no sales been rejected the general average would have been substantially lower. For instance it has been figured that the sales of Monday, considering no rejections, would have sent the average below \$5.00, so if that be correct and the same rule applies to the sales of Tuesday and Wednesday, the average for those days would have been less than \$4.00 perhaps something like \$3.50 or less.

It is said that only a few of the buyers are in attendance, in the Owensboro and other markets of this section and that none of the larger purchasers are represented. It is evident that the market can not possibly become much worse, as it seems that the bottom is now in sight, and farmers should keep their tobacco off of the market, because to sell now would entail financial ruin upon those whose dependence is placed in this crop. The weed should be stripped and so placed that it may be kept without injury, awaiting a date when something like a fair price may be obtained. Moves have and are being made to bring together some sort of organization or concerted action of the growers, for self protection. We are not familiar with the program, but do know that something must be done if tobacco growers are to be saved from immense financial losses.

Representatives of the State Farm Bureau called a meeting of representatives of Farm Bureaus of all the Counties in the Green River district, for yesterday, in Owensboro. We were not advised of the action taken on the tobacco situation, at press hour.

### BROKEN LEGGED MULE PUTS TOWN IN DARK

A mule belonging to Joe Ford, below town a couple of miles, broke a leg last Friday night and thereby put the electric lighting plant of this town out of business Tuesday night. It happened thusly: The owner of the mule furnishes coal to the Light Plant Company for steam purposes and when his muleship cracked a leg, it "busted" a team. No team work, no coal; no coal, no lights.

### S. L. FULKERSON DEAD.

Squire Sanford L. Fulkerson, of Rockport, died at the home of his son, Dr. Harry Fulkerson, in Somerset, Tuesday the 7th, Inst., of asthma. The remains were brought to Rockport and funeral services conducted yesterday afternoon at two o'clock, after which the body was given Masonic burial, he being an honored member of that institution.

In the passing of Squire Fulkerson, Rockport and Ohio County loses a valuable citizen. He had always manifested sharp interest in the affairs of his home town and in the County. He had at different times, served as a member of the Ohio County Fiscal Court besides other positions of a public nature, always rendering services of 100 per cent efficiency.

### EVANGELIST HOWERTON IS AT HORSE BRANCH

State Evangelist E. L. Howerton, who was born in this county is now in a meeting at Horse Branch. He has, since returning from France, where he served as Chaplain in the U. S. Army, been connected with the Kentucky Baptist State Mission Board, as Evangelist.

He closed, on Dec. 6th, at New

Hope Church, Grayson county, one of the most successful meetings ever held in that part of the State. There were 73 professions of faith. All grudges were laid aside and folks who had not been to Church for years came. Great was the manifestation says to God, not him, be all the glory of God's power and the Evangelist.

### FORDSVILLE YOUNG MAN IS OUT FRONT

Lexington, Ky. Dec. 6.—Henry B. Lloyd, son of H. D. Lloyd, comes to us from Fordville. As a senior we find him looking back upon a successful past. He is a pledge to the honorary journalistic fraternity, Alpha Delta Sigma and business manager of the Kentucky Kernel, the University Newspaper. He is also a pledge to the Delta Sigma Pi, the professional commercial fraternity, which has been organized only recently. We also find Lloyd famous in the Patterson Literary Society. He is majoring in the Department of Economics and we feel that if he follows his ambition, he will soon find himself in New York in the International Banking Corporation.

The University of Kentucky is proud to claim Henry Lloyd and as he continues to heap honors upon his shoulders in the years to come, we know that Fordville will also raise its voice in proud possession.

### CHRISTIAN SERVICES

Mr. William Savage, a Christian minister, will preach at the Fordville Christian Church, Saturday night, December 11th. At the Hartford Christian Church, Sunday morning December 12th, at 11 o'clock and at Beaver Dam, Sunday night. This is in view of his locating in this county, as county Evangelist. The public is cordially invited to all these services, and the membership of these congregations urged to be present.

### "GOOD PIGS."

Mr. William Johnson, of Rosine, recently butchered two hogs, seven months old, that netted 245 and 247 pounds each. They were of one-half Poland China, one-fourth Berkshire, and one-fourth Duroc stock and had not been fed any corn at all, until after the new crop had matured, being grown altogether upon kitchen refuse and sour milk. Instances like the above go to show what good blood, care and attention will do in the production of the lowly hog.

### BAPTISTS RETAIN REV. WALKER; OFFICERS CHOSEN

At the business meeting held Wednesday evening by the congregation of the Hartford Baptist Church the following officers were elected for the year 1921: Pastor, Russell Walker; Sunday School Superintendent, L. B. Tichenor; Assistant Superintendent, Cal. P. Keown; Secretary, Douglas Williams; Treasurer, S. A. Bratcher; Clerk, J. F. Bruner.

### HOPPER—BROWN.

Mr. J. Russell Brown, of Rockport, and Miss Iona Hopper, of Route 1, McHenry, accompanied by a few relatives, came to Hartford yesterday afternoon, procured the necessary permit and were united in marriage at the County Judge's office, Judge Cook performing the rites, uniting the young couple.

The former Miss Hopper is a daughter of Mr. Luther Hopper, of Route 1, McHenry, who recently came to this county from Grayson county, while the bridegroom is a son of Mr. J. L. Brown, Postmaster at Rockport.

Both of the young people are popular in their circles and their many friends with whom the writer joins, wish them much success in life.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Edith Pierce, Rosine, to Ozana Wright, Route 2, Hartford.

Lee Smith, Route 2 Livia, to Greek Akin, Centertown.

N. S. Barrass, Beaver Dam, to Orpha Braden, Beaver Dam.

Mose Wells, Fordville, to Leatie E. Kirk, Fordville.

Albert Wallace, Fordville, to Clara Newton, Fordville.

J. Russell Brown, Rockport, to Iona Mae Hopper, R. 1, McHenry.

Mrs. Rommie Helton and son, of Sunnydale, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holbrook, Wednesday.

## ARMY OFFICER WAS TRUSTED GERMAN SPY

### U. S. Reserve Officer, Deserter, Was Hun Espionage Cadet.

New York, Dec. 7.—Sensational disclosures of his mission to this country as a spy for the German government were given in an alleged confession by John Willers, formerly captain in Company I, 48th United States Infantry, alleged thief and deserter, after his arrest here tonight charged with abducting with \$5,000 of his company funds on December 19, 1918. His regiment was then stationed at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.

His capture was accidental. He was crossing Fifth avenue at Forty-second street, near the Public Library, when Hugh J. Hannigan, formerly a first lieutenant in Willers' company, recognized him. Hannigan called a policeman and Willers was arrested. At a police station the prisoner was further identified by two other former lieutenants in Company I, Sidney P. Sowell and Francis Hatch. Willers was then taken to Governors Island, headquarters of the Army Corps, and placed in confinement at Fort Jay. Willers, the police said, recited in a brazen fashion how he was sent to the United States as one of 300 cadets trained in the acts of espionage to enlist in the American army.

### Promoted From Private.

On his arrival in the United States, Willers went to Albany, where he enlisted, he said, as a private. His military aptitude won him rapid promotion and his knowledge of English and his ability to "speak like an American" enabled him to obtain a commission.

Willers said he had never been sent across the ocean and while in this country his instructions "were to act the part of a loyal American" and to take no action until he reached the war zone.

"What was your plan after reaching the other side?" he was asked.

"I could lead the company to slaughter," the police say he replied. "You also would be killed," he was reminded.

"What of that? Thousands of better men died that way."

While being questioned at the police station, the police say Willers remarked that they would be surprised if they knew "the number of officials at Washington during the war who were employed by Germany as spies."

"Are they still there?" he was asked.

"That I don't know," he is said to have answered. "But there were many of them during the war."

The 48th Infantry was still at Camp Sevier when the armistice was signed and his usefulness as a spy was at an end. Willers told the police he decided to become a deserter and to take, they alleged, the funds of his company.

The deserter then went to Chicago, where, about a year ago, he married a young American woman named Crawford.

From Chicago, Willers roamed about the country, at various times in his travels trying unsuccessfully to get a passport to Germany. He disguised himself and waited an opportunity to quit the country. A pair of heavy eye-glasses, he said, was an important part of his disguise.

When questioned by military authorities at Governors Island, Willers declined to amplify his alleged confession to the police.

### LEAVE FOR FLORIDA.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Rowan and son R. N. Rowan and family, of Hefflin, and Mr. Steve O. Rowan, of Wray, Colorado, who recently arrived here, left Saturday for Crescent City, Fla., to spend the winter. A. V. and R. N. Rowan motored thru, leaving Madisonville Sunday.

### PHOTOGRAPHY.

I will be at my home in Hartford, December 22nd to Jan. 5th. Will be glad to do anything I can for you in my line of work.

Yours truly,  
EMORY SCHROETER.